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New U.S. Patent Application

Title: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR PERFORMING SECURE TRANSACTIONS

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. A check for \$690 representing the filing fee.
2. Application - 17 pages, including 2 independent claims and 4 claims total.
3. Drawings - 4 sheets of informal drawings containing 5 figures.

This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f).
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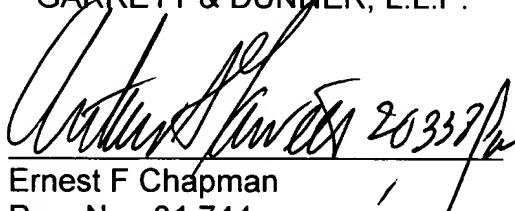
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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